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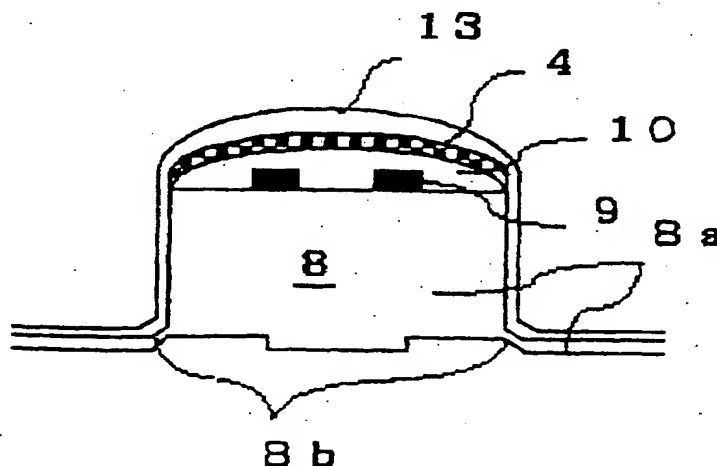
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(54) **Decorated key top and manufacturing method thereof**

(57) A decorated key top presenting light transmitting iris gloss and good appearance giving a feeling of high quality, that can be produced at low cost through a continuous production process in which a liquid crystal-

line organic polymer layer (4) preferably of cholesteric orientated liquid crystalline organic polymer is formed on the key top (10) surface and/or back, and methods for manufacturing such a decorated key top.

Fig. 3



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